

REMARKS

Article 34 amendment is filed concurrently herewith.

Claims shown in the Article 34 amendment are the originally filed claims.

Claims 1-12 are currently amended.

The claims have been amended to remove multiple dependencies, to improve readability and to place the application in better format for examination.

Support for the amendment is found in the claims and specification, as originally filed.

Upon entry of the amendment, Claims 1-12 will be active.

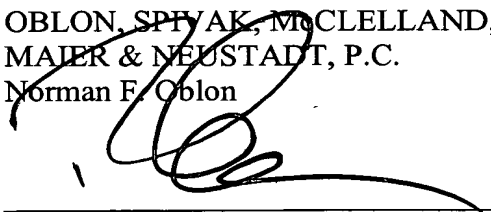
No new matter is believed to have been added. An action on the merits and allowance of the claims is requested.

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